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Art Unit: 1761

For: VESSEL AND METHOD FOR TREATING
WORT IN BEER BREWING

Examiner: Sherrer

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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A translation of the first claim in German patent Nos. 1 055 482 and DE 30 18 111 is provided. A translated abstract is provided for HU P9201446, as well as a copy of the search report for a Hungary application (in which the Hungary reference was cited as a category A, background technology, document), to the now-granted German patent

to which the present PCT national stage U.S. application claims priority, for the examiner's use and information. GB 129,549 is in the English language.

A copy of each reference on the PTO-1449 is attached.

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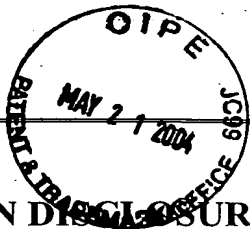
Our check in the amount of \$180.00 covering the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855, under Order No. 30051/32022. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Document Number	Publication Date	Country	Translation	
				Yes	No
	1 055 482	04-23-1959	Germany	Abstract	
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	GB 129,549	11-28-1918	Great Britain		√
	HU P 9201446	01-28-1994	Hungary	Abstract	

OTHER DOCUMENTS

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